

House Resolution No. 2997

Whereas, upon occasion the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to recognize young citizens who have given tirelessly of themselves to attain their specific goals; and

Whereas, Matthew Helfer of Springfield, Missouri, has put forth tremendous effort to earn the Gold Medal of Achievement, the highest award in the Assembly of God Royal Ranger program; and

Whereas, Matthew will be honored for his accomplishment as a valued member of Royal Ranger Outpost 6 during a special ceremony to be held on May 23, 2004, at the Central Assembly of God Church; and

Whereas, during his nine years in the Royal Ranger program, Matthew has enriched his life immeasurably by participating in a wide variety of activities such as attending four Pow Wows, five Advancement Academies, and a National Camporama; and

Whereas, Matthew has been trained in practical application of Godly principles in order to reach, teach, and keep boys for Christ; and

Whereas, the Assembly of God's Royal Ranger program requires young men like Matthew to complete a total of twenty-four merits such as Safety, CPR, Camping, Citizenship, Survival, Bible, and Christian Service, just to name a few; and

Whereas, the beloved son of Rob and Cindy Helfer, Matthew has distinguished himself by completing forty-four merit awards and by serving in several outpost leadership positions, including Assistant Patrol Guide; and

Whereas, America looks to a bright and promising future because of the success already realized by such outstanding young Missouri citizens as Matthew Helfer:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously in extending our most hearty congratulations and best wishes to Matthew Helfer at this proud moment of distinction and in expressing appreciation to his family for their loving support and continuous encouragement; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Royal Ranger Matthew Helfer, as a measure of our esteem for him.

Offered by _____
Representative Bob Dixon
District No. 140

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 2997, adopted May 12, 2004.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker